

# The Egg

## Book 68: The Egg (Text Level Code 104)

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### Review Sound

/ai/ - long vowel - a

### New Words

- laid, lay, snake, under, egg

### Level 17 Review Words

- today, path, thin, tree, then

### Plot Summary

Mat finds an egg among the weeds under a fig tree. Mit and Mat try to find its mother, but it does not belong to Nan the Parrot nor Nell the Ostrich. As they are wondering what to do, the egg cracks open and a baby snake hatches. So it was Sis's egg and the baby snake goes home with Sis.

### Story Questions (Comprehension)

1. page 4: What does Mat find under the tree?
2. page 4: Where does Mit think the egg comes from?
3. page 5: Which of Mit's friends can lay eggs?
4. page 7: How does Nan know she did not lay the egg?
5. page 9: How does Nan know Nell did not lay the egg?
6. page 13: Who laid the egg under the tree?

Each new word throughout the program is repeated at least five times in the book in which it first appears and five more times in the next ten books.

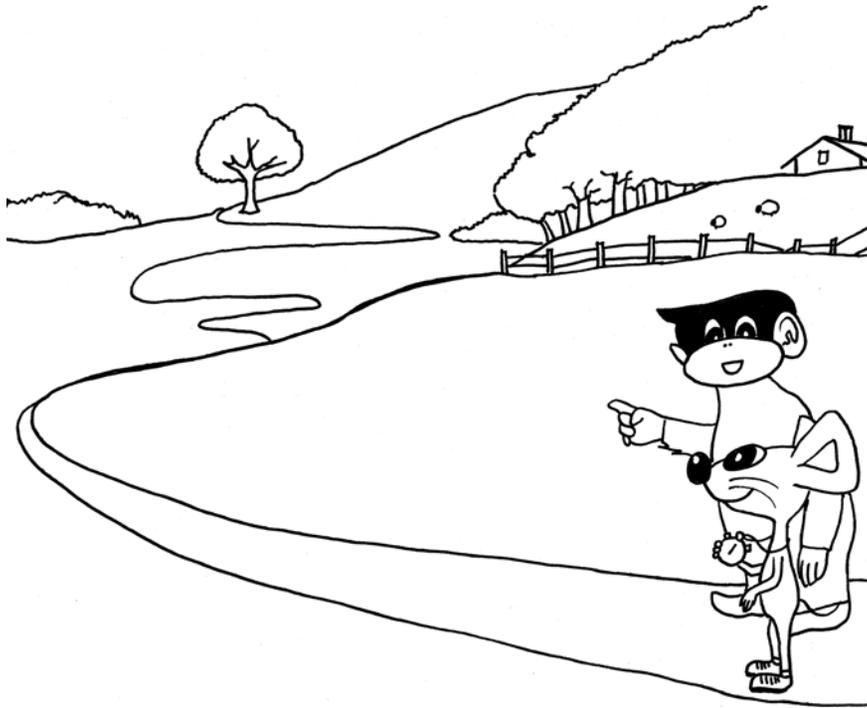
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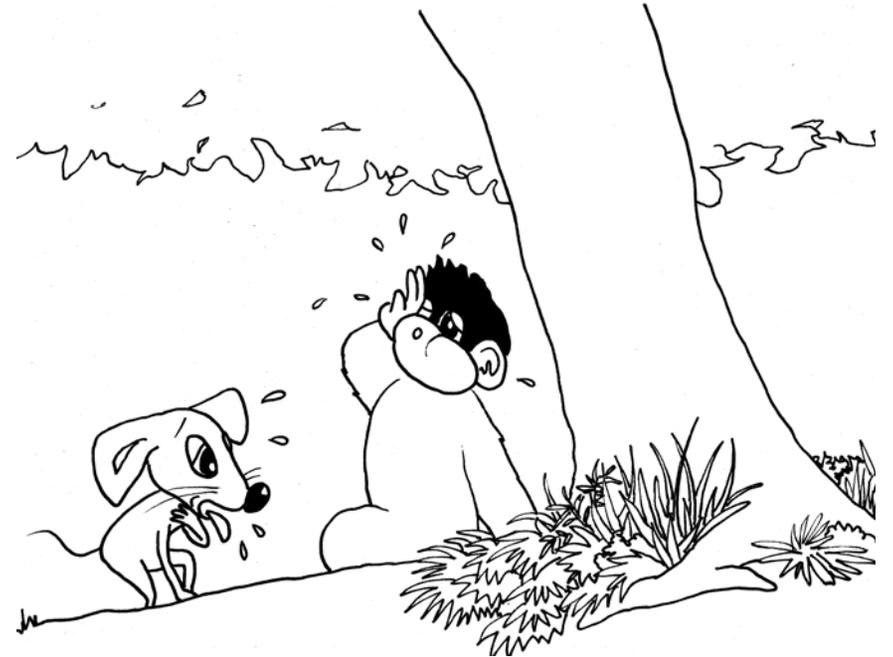


Sam Books

Book 68



“Today, we jog up this thin path.  
We will go under the fig tree and  
back.”



“I am very hot.  
We will sit under this tree.”



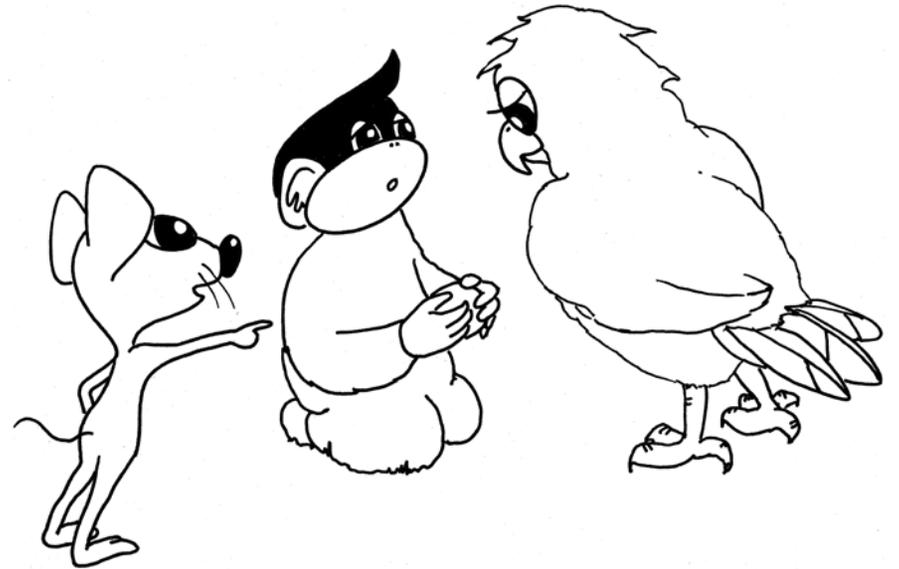
“Get up, Mit.  
See the ball under the weeds.”



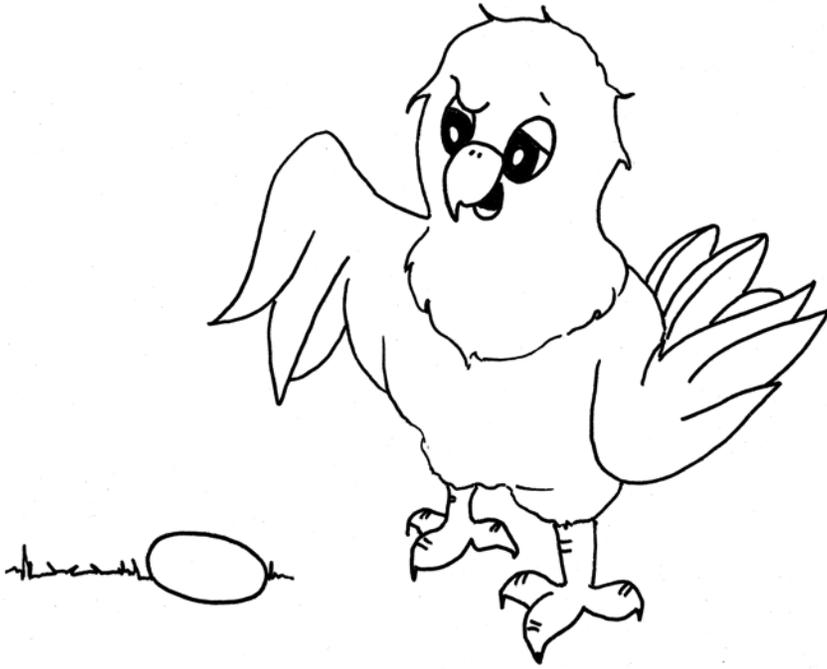
“This is not a ball.  
It is an egg. It fell.”



“Who laid the egg?  
I will ask Nan if she laid the egg.”



“Nan, see this egg,” says Mat.  
“Did Nan lay the egg?” Says Mit.



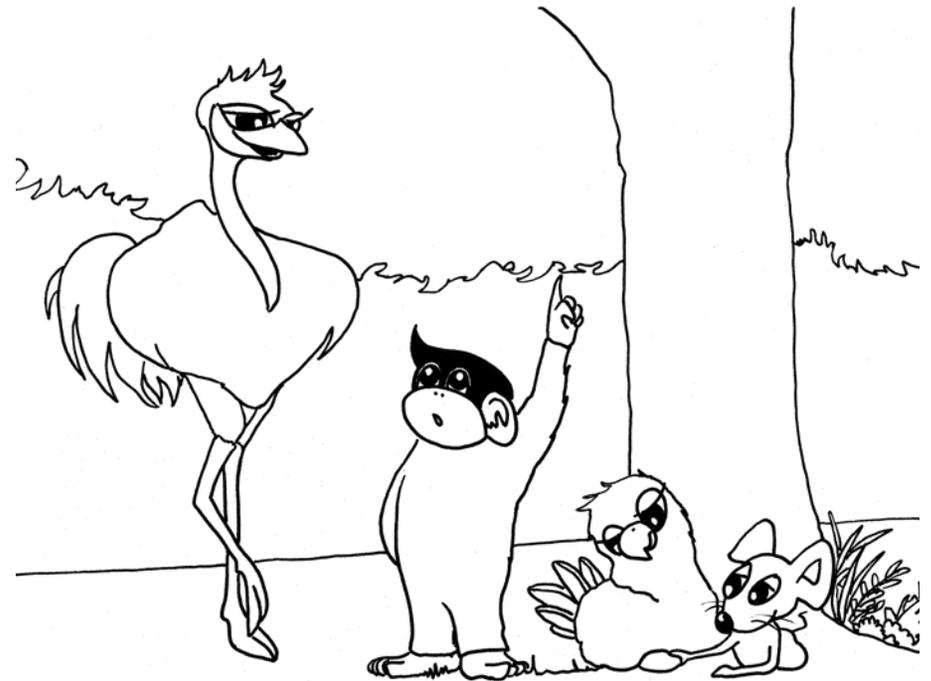
“I did not lay that egg.  
I see no spots on this egg.”



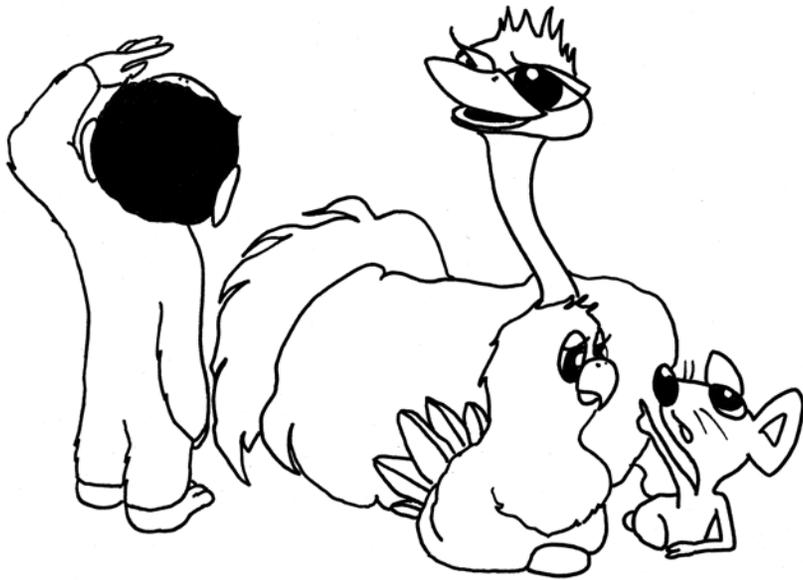
“Mat, ask Nell if she laid the egg.”



“I did not lay that egg,” says Nell.  
“Nell’s eggs are bigger,” says Nan.



“Then who did lay that egg under  
the weeds?” Says Nell.  
“The egg is lost. It fell,” says Mit.



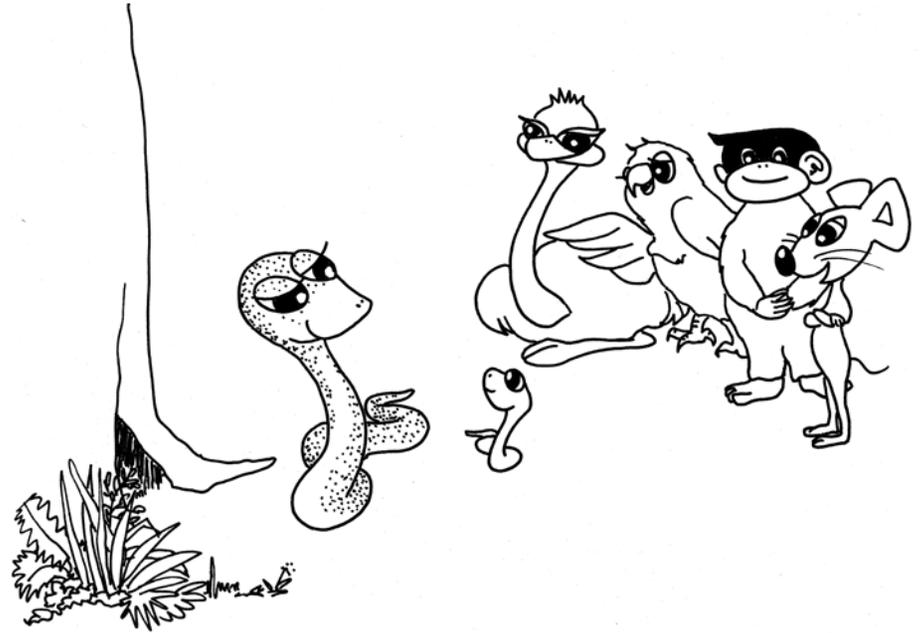
“Can we set the egg back up the tree?”  
says Mat.  
“Who will go up the tree with the egg?”  
says Nell.



“See the egg!  
We will see what is in the egg.”



“It is a snake! It was a snake egg.  
Snakes lay eggs.  
Sis the Snake laid the egg.”



“See, the snake can go under the tree  
as fast as Sis.”